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Re: Application of Katsuhiko INADA, Mitsuhiro NISHIO, Yoshiyuki KIMURA,
Junji KAGA, Koichi MURAOKO, Nobuaki SUMIYOSHI, Seiichiro IGUCHI
and Hiroaki YAMAMOTO

PACKAGED OCULAR IRRIGATING SOLUTION BAG

Assignee: OTSUKA PHARMACEUTICAL FACTORY, INC.,
and SENJU PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.

Our Ref: Q78975

Divisional of Application No.: 09/530,507

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/530,507 (Confirmation No.7471) filed April 27, 2000 of Katsuhiko INADA, Mitsuhiro NISHIO, Yoshiyuki KIMURA, Junji KAGA, Koichi MURAOKO, Nobuaki SUMIYOSHI, Seiichiro IGUCHI and Hiroaki YAMAMOTO entitled PACKAGED OCULAR IRRIGATING SOLUTION BAG.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, one sheet of drawing, a copy of both Declarations (a substitute Declaration was filed in the prior application on October 24, 2000) and a copy of the Assignment as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3762.

A Petition and fee for a two month extension of time are submitted in parent application No. 09/530,507.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a divisional of Application No. 09/530,507 filed April 27, 2000, which is a National Stage Application filed under §371 of PCT Application No. PCT/JP98/04814 filed October 23, 1998; the above noted prior applications are all hereby incorporated by reference.--

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	294310/1997	October 27, 1997
Japan	313083/1997	November 14, 1997

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/530,507.



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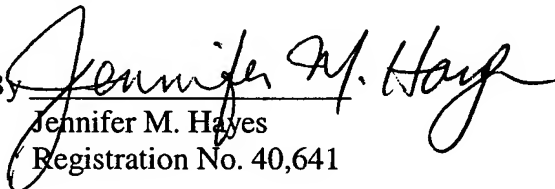
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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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